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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

GERMAN AFFAIRS.

Allies Requested to occupy Berlin.
Paris, December 18.
The Main declares that, despite German denial, the German Government is requesting the Allies to occupy Berlin.

Waiting Time.

Amsterdam, December 18.

A message from Berlin says violent scenes are characterising the Soviet Congress. Time is being wasted in criticising the Government and the Soviet, personal differences are being fought out and no results have yet been reached.

The Commissary from Landberg announced that the War Minister, General Scheubel, had resigned.

President of Republic.

Copenhagen, December 18.

A message from Berlin says a conference representing the whole country is meeting on the 29th inst. for the purpose of electing a President of the German Republic.

THE KING OF ITALY IN PARIS.

Called on by President Wilson.

Paris, December 21.

President Wilson has called on the King of Italy, repaying the latter's visit of the previous evening. This was the first occasion in history in which a crowned head ever paid a visit to President Wilson.

The King of Italy attended an official reception in the Hotel Ville and again was given a magnificent reception by the people of Paris. He later attended, as a member, a meeting of the Academic Inscriptions. The King was presented with a medal struck in 1915 in the date of Italy's entry into the war.

The King of Italy and Prince Piedmont left Paris direct for Verdun after eleven o'clock at night.—Havas.

Confers with French Premier.

London, December 20.

President Wilson yesterday had a conference with M. Clemenceau lasting two hours.—Havas.

The Visit to England.

London, December 19.

President Wilson is coming to London earlier than was anticipated. He is expected to arrive on the 26th inst. Consequently the Premier, Mr. Balfour and others have postponed their visit to France. President Wilson and Mr. Lloyd George will hold in London the preliminary conversations previously arranged for Paris.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

No Control over News Cables.

Paris, December 21.

Neither the French nor American Governments will exercise any control over the cables conveying news of the proceedings of the Peace Conference.—Havas.

Spain's Interests.

Paris, December 21.

Count Romanones, the Spanish Premier, arrived in Paris yesterday for the purpose of conferring with the French Government and discussing Spanish affairs with President Wilson.

Count Romanones will raise the question of Spain's participation in the Paris Conference, and discuss different problems concerning the rights and aspirations of Spain. Great importance is attached in Spain to this visit, as marking the final defeat of pro-Germanism on the Peninsula.—Havas.

PRaise FOR FRENCH SOLDIERS.

Paris, December 20.

At a formal reception to Marshal Joffre at the Academie Francaise, before a large and distinguished audience, including President Wilson and President Poincaré, Marshal Joffre praised the French combatant soldiers as winning the war.—Havas.

GERMANS TO DELIVER RAILWAY ENGINES.

Paris, December 20.

The Germans are required to deliver 5,000 railway engines by January 16th. If the deliveries are not made regularly, another 500 engines will be exacted as penalty.—Havas.

GERMAN DESTRUCTION IN FRANCE.

Paris, December 21.

The destruction wrought by the Germans in Northern France amounts to \$5 milliards, according to an official report to the Senate.—Havas.

AERIAL SERVICE BETWEEN LONDON AND PARIS.

Paris, December 21.

Fairman Brothers, the famous aeroplane manufacturers, announce the starting of the first French private air service between Paris and London with machines carrying two, six and twenty passengers.—Havas.

FUTURE OF LIMBURG.

London, December 20.

Reuter's correspondent at the Hague says that in the Second number the Foreign Minister said he did not believe the Associated overrulings would support the reported Belgian claim to annex Limburg. While he urged that Holland should try to understand the viewpoint of the people who had sacrificed much for their ideals, he declared that Holland could not submit to injustice.

GERMAN MINE CAUSES CASUALTIES.

Paris, December 19.

A German delayed action mine exploded at Guise bridge, killing 15 and wounding 25.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

SIR DOUGLAS HAIG LANDS AT DOVER.

Great Reception by Huge Crowds.

London, December 19.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig had a brilliant naval and military reception on arriving at Dover this morning en route for London. He was also greeted by tens of thousands of people on the seafront.

The distinguished Field Marshal crossed aboard the Belgian hospital ship Jan Breydel, which was escorted by three destroyers.

Well out at sea the Jan Breydel was met by six coastal motor boats, seaplanes and aeroplanes.

In choosing the ancient port of Dover for his first landing since the Armistice was signed Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig has followed the example of those illustrious soldiers, like Lord Kitchener who first touched English soil here after Khartoum, and Lord Roberts, on his returning from the South African War. As the "Jan Breydel" drew alongside the Admiralty pier, Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig was seen on the bridge standing next to Vice Admiral Sir Roger Keyes and surrounded by his staff. Distinguished naval officers received Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig. At the landing stage a guard of honour of seamen from monitors and another of the Royal Marine Light Infantry with bands were mounted.

London, December 18.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig will be met by the Duke of Connaught, Mr. Lloyd George and the members of the War Cabinet. The Premier has postponed his visit to France in order to personally participate in the welcome.

FRANCE AND ITALY.

A New Era Established.

Paris, December 20.

Italy's turn yesterday was triumphantly acclaimed by Paris in the person of the King and his son. Unceasing cheering met the King, who wore a grey and green uniform.

At the Elysee bazaar, President Poincaré, proposing the health of the King, said Italy's present greatness was largely due to the King's direct personal action in events which destroyed the old diplomatic combinations and tightened the bonds of sentiment and interest uniting Italy and France. Through the King's influence, Italy went on the side of France and England when the result of the war was still uncertain.

King Victor Emmanuel, proposing the prosperity of France, said Italy's spontaneous participation in the war and all other indications of policy sprang from an ancestral sense of right and justice. From now onwards, an era of peaceful collaboration, based on mutual respect and loyal friendship, would open out France and Italy to each other, giving valuable assistance towards future liberty and justice.—Havas.

BOLSHEVIST PROPAGANDA.

Stockholm, December 20.

A message from Helsingfors says the Bolsheviks have sent back to Austro-Germany two thousand war prisoners specially trained for Bolshevik propaganda work.

AUSTRO-GERMAN MISCHIEF-MAKERS.

To Be Sent From Turkey to France.

Paris, December 19.

Admiral Amet, French High Commissioner to Constantinople, has requisitioned all German ships in Turkey to convey a number of Austro-German mischief-makers from Turkey to France, where they will be kept under strict surveillance until peace.

THE FRUITS OF WAR.

Italy's Claim to More Territory.

London, December 18.

A message from Rome states that in the Senate, Signor Tittoni, former Foreign Minister, declared that if other Powers acquired territorial possessions in the Eastern Mediterranean, Italy must also do so. Owing to her lack of coal, Italy ought to have prior claim to concessions in the coalfields of Heratites. If France and Britain retained the whole or part of Germany's African Colonies, Italy should be compensated by an enlargement of her boundaries in Libya, Somalia and Eritrea.

The Premier warmly approved the speech.

GERMANY AND THE EX-KAISER.

Copenhagen, December 18.

A message from Berlin says Herr Ebert has declared that the Government does not wish Holland to extradite the ex-Kaiser.

A JEWISH COMMONWEALTH.

Philadelphia, December 18.

An American Jewish Congress, representing three million Jews in the United States, most enthusiastically passed a resolution favouring a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine under the trusteeship of Britain, acting on behalf of a League of Nations, and declaring that the civic and religious right of the non-Jewish population in Palestine will be maintained.

NEW RUMANIAN MINISTRY.

Bucharest, December 18.

M. Brusiano takes the portfolio of Foreign Affairs in the new Government, which includes M. Take Jonescu.

LAWN TENNIS.

Enemy Subjects Barred from English Tournaments.

London, December 18.

The All England Lawn Tennis Club is holding its Championships at Wimbledon in July. All enemy subjects are barred,

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

A GREAT SOLDIER.

Glowing Tribute to Sir Douglas Haig.

London, December 19.

The war historian, Mr. John Buchan, has an interesting article in the Daily Sketch on Sir Douglas Haig. He says Sir Douglas Haig and Marshal Foch were complementary to each other, like Generals Lee and Jackson. The British Army supplied Marshal Foch with weapons, such as the tanks' creeping barrage, and it was the British Army that finally crushed General Ludendorff.

Marshal Foch made the plan. Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig provided the material and much of the execution, but Sir Douglas was not a mere competent lieutenant trusty in fulfilling orders—he was a great tactician. Foch and Haig from 1914 saw eye to eye.

It was Sir Douglas Haig who pressed most earnestly for Marshal Foch's appointment and it was Sir Douglas Haig whose support largely made possible the great gamble of July 18, which won the Second Battle of the Marne and the war. Like Sir John Moore, Sir Douglas Haig had great genius for training raw material. Mr. Buchan reminds the public that Sir Douglas Haig's first task in France was defence. Then there was the long waiting, the war of attrition, not spectacular but deadly in effect. Another type of man might have grown weary, but great as was his military talent, greater still was his character.

It was well that in the struggle with armed brutality we should have been led on so far from brutality. He was always confident of the ultimate triumph of right and always cheerful, even in the blackest hour, for he drew comfort from deep springs. He cared nothing for advertisement; no thought for his own career—his uncanny patience: it was something that belonged to another world. For a parallel to such a temperament we have to look to Sir John Moore or the great Scott soldier, Montrose. Sir Douglas Haig faced ugly facts with extreme honesty and preserved in adversity a high-heartedness which would tire weaker souls. Britain has not produced a greater soldier since Wellington and has never produced a greater gentleman.

MORE GERMAN DEVILRY.

American Officer Deliberately Killed.

Copenhagen, December 19.

The newspaper Kobenhavn publishes an unauthenticated account, confirmed by three British officers, who were eye-witnesses, of a German on December 5 deliberately killing an American flying officer named Cohenby who was prisoner at Saksenlund Camp.

The American was shot for momentarily stepping outside the barbed wire, being hit by three bullets. A British officer was simultaneously wounded. Dressed comrades wanted to carry in Cohenby's corpse, which was lying in a pool of blood, but the Soldiers' Council prohibited this.

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONGRESS.

To be Held Next Month.

London, December 19.

The Parliamentary Committee of the Trade Union Congress and the National Executive of the Labour Party have agreed to take steps in conjunction with other countries to summon an International Conference early in January in a neutral country, probably Switzerland. The British Delegation will be Mr. J. H. Thomas, Mr. Will Thorne, Mr. Bowerman, Mr. Clynes, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Mr. Arthur Henderson and Mrs. Snowden.

The meeting adopted a resolution demanding that all messages or articles dealing with the Peace Congress and the concurrent working-class Congress should be free from the Censorship.

THE KAISER'S GUILT.

Amsterdam, December 20.

Herr Harden, writing in Die Zukunft, demands that the Kaiser be called to account before a Tribunal for his misdeeds; compared with which the guilt of the Bourbons was, as nothing.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

ROYAL VISITS TO PARIS.

Paris, Dec. 20.

Prince Nicholas of Rumania, second son of the King, arrived in Paris yesterday and proceeds to England to continue his studies. Afterwards he will enter the military college of Saint Cyr.

The King of Italy, accompanied by Prince Piedmont, arrived in Paris this afternoon. The day is officially observed as a holiday, to-morrow he attends a sitting of the Academic Inscriptions as a member in his capacity of numismatist.

The union of great French associations against enemy propaganda expresses the sentiments of millions of supporters to the King of Italy, hoping the brotherhood of arms will be followed by a long and fruitful collaboration in peace.

By a sudden alteration of arrangements of his programme, President Wilson is expected in London for Christmas.

TERRIBLE DEATH ROLL FROM INFLUENZA.

London, Dec. 18.

The "Times" medical correspondent says there seems reasonable grounds for believing that about six million persons have perished from influenza and pneumonia during the past twelve weeks. It has been estimated that the war caused the deaths of twenty million persons in four and a half years. Thus this plague is five times deadlier than the war because in the same period at its epidemic rate influenza would have killed 108,000,000. Never since the Black Death has such plague swept over the world and the death toll is illustrated.

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[The opinions expressed by correspondents are not necessarily those of the Hongkong "Telegraph".]

SPECIAL POLICE.

[To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph".]

Sir,—Now that demobilisation is the full swing at home, and seeing that the Engineer Company of the local Volunteers have been taken off the lists, I wonder if it shuns the powers that be that the duties of the Special Police should also be made less burdensome?

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Christmas Pudding.

The Ministry of Food propose to liberate, through the trade this month, 8 million tons of currants, raisins, and sultanas in time for retailing for use in Christmas puddings. The quantity is sufficient to allow 1 lb. per head, but from the total is to deducted the amount required by manufacturers for trade purposes. Distribution will be made to the retailers on the basis of a percentage of former supplies, and though it will not be possible to ensure a half-pound for each individual, it is hoped that retailers will ration them out fairly among their customers.

A Hostile Congress.

According to a special cable to the North, "the Star dated Washington December 4, President Wilson for the first time in his career faced a resentful and hostile Congress." Democratic Senators with Republicans refused to join in demonstration when he read his message. Despite efforts of a few Democrats to "stampede" appliances failed, resulting in obvious embarrassment to the President who leaves with resolutions pending in both the Senate and House, declaring the Presidency vacant while he is gone.

U. S. at Least.

When the Allies entered Bruges they displayed a flaming poster, used extensively by the Germans for propaganda purposes, pretending to show the ships sunk in one year around the British coasts by their unrestricted U-boat warfare. The poster is in the form of a map of the British Isles surrounded by innumerable specks, each of which is supposed to represent a boat sunk. The specks are especially thick round Flamborough Head, Plymouth, and the south of Ireland. The enemy has employed his "customary exaggeration" in presenting our losses, but the document has its value, as it is upon this German claim as to the number of vessels sunk that we shall be able to base our demand for restitution, ship for ship, of our tonnage destroyed.

Soldiers' Rations.

Under a scheme now being prepared it is proposed to issue demobilisation ration books for a fortnight's supplies to each soldier and sailor liberated from the forces at the close of the war. Supplies will be adjusted to meet his needs, it is stated, of 40,000 men mobilised immediately, drawing upon the surplus Army and Navy stores. Ration books for supplies after the first fortnight will have to be obtained from local food offices. Arrangements have been made for issuing a joint leave pass and ration book to men coming on leave in the interim. The front page gives the authorisation for leave and military details of each man, and inside is a list of coupons for all rationed commodities which can be obtained from any registered dealer.

Gave His Life for His Pipes.

The remarkable story of how a piper won the V.C. and afterwards lost his life is told in the following list of five V.C.s issued in a "Gazette" supplement recently. No. 26930 Pte. (Piper) J. Richardson, late Manitoba R. Prior to attack he obtained permission from his commanding officer to play his company "over the top." As the company approached the object it was held up down outside the wire, playing his pipes with the greatest coolness. The effect was instantaneous. Inspired by his splendid example, the company rushed the wire with such fury and determination that the obstacle was overcome and the position captured. Later, after participating in bombing operations, he was detailed to take back a wounded comrade and prisoner. After proceeding about 200 yards, Piper Richardson remembered that he had left his pipe behind. Although strongly urged not to do so, he insisted on returning to recover his pipe. He has never been seen since and death has been presumed accordingly, dying in October, 1918.

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THE FUTURE OF HONGKONG.

Hongkong as a great shipping port and a centre of British commercial activity in the Far East is naturally interested in the development of other ports in the Orient. For this reason, special attention should be paid to the fact that the merchants of Manila, as our correspondent reported on Saturday, have just been discussing shipping conditions, after-the-war, trade problems and the question of making Manila a free port. It is evident that a strong feeling exists there in favour of greatly improving the facilities of the port in every possible direction. In fact, the Government has already recommended certain measures with this end in view, including the construction of a new pier, the deepening of the harbour and the installation of modern mechanical devices for handling cargo. These are developments which Hongkong cannot afford to ignore, especially when coupled with the further idea of making Manila a free port. Coincident with this movement, there are big schemes mooted for making Shanghai a bigger port still by overcoming some of the natural difficulties which have operated against its expansion in the past.

From all that has been heard of late regarding the improvement of both Shanghai and Manila, and from schemes which are at present under contemplation, no one will argue that Hongkong can afford to rest on its laurels and allow others to take their own course. So far as Shanghai is concerned, it is scarcely conceivable that it can ever replace Hongkong as a distributing centre for the trade of South China at any rate, but in view of the future, when the railway between Hankow and Canton will be a reality, it is obvious that Hongkong will have to baffle the times if the port is to be made of our favourable geographical situation and the natural advantages conferred on us by our magnificent harbour. If we take the case of Manila, it is worth noting that the United States Government is decidedly interesting itself in the development of the port, one of the latest reports we have seen stating that the Federal Shipping Board is making a big effort to secure its becoming the principal port of transhipment for the Orient. Some of the leading American shipping companies have offered to build their own piers at Manila, but this step is not officially approved, the local authorities being of opinion that the Government should own its own wharves. However, facilities are to be granted these companies to construct their own warehouses, the Government being prepared to lease them land for the purpose. The matter of making Manila a free port is another question, upon which opinion appears to be somewhat divided, though the movement in favour of such a step is certainly growing. The view has been expressed that a free port for Manila is unnecessary from the American point of view, since there is at present free trade between Manila and the United States. But against that point there is to be placed the future possibility of independence being granted to the Philippines, while it is obvious that the removal of all embargoes would naturally tend to an increase in the trade of Manila, and would materially assist in the growth of the port, even though that trade were not wholly American. Bearing in mind the recent statement by Viscount Grey, it is possible that Manila may be made a free port by international arrangement under a more just and equitable conception of "the freedom of the seas." At any rate, the general question wrapped up in this phrase is likely to come under consideration in the near future, in which event the position both of British and American policy will doubtless receive attention.

The lesson from all this is that Hongkong must baffle itself. There can be no doubt that the growth of our port has been in large measure due to its free character. But this alone will not necessarily keep it in its present position. In the matter of shipping facilities, as in all other spheres, we have to keep pace with the times. Bigger and bigger ships are coming to the Orient. We have to see that the Colony has adequate mooring and wharfing facilities and the means for rapidly handling cargo. What suited Hongkong even five or ten years ago will not suffice for the future. There are great opportunities ahead. The Colony's share of the plums will depend entirely on the measure of enterprise shown in improving the port's facilities and thus attracting trade to this great distributing centre.

The Home Elections.

The first of the General Election results to come to hand is that for Oxford University, which, as might have been expected, has returned two Coalition Unionists—Lord Hugh Cecil and the Right Hon. Mr. R. E. Prothero. At the last General Election, the first named and Sir W. Anson were returned unopposed for the two "Varsity seats." Mr. Prothero succeeded Sir W. Anson on the latter's death. Oxford University will therefore be represented by its old members in the new Parliament. Neither Professor Gilbert Murray, who stood as a Liberal, nor Mr. Furness, the Labourite, were able to poll anything like the number of votes of the successful candidates, but that is not surprising in view of the political traditions of Oxford. Mr. Furness is presumably the Principal of Balliol College, Oxford, a unique institution which was founded some nineteen years ago by an American, Mr. Walter Vrooman, and which is regarded as the intelligence department of the Labour movement in England. This college was established for the benefit of working men and women who desired a College education and its Council is largely made up of leaders of the great Labour organisations. We believe that although there is no sex bar, it has not yet been found possible to admit women to the institution, though an undoubtedly good work has been done through its medium among the more intelligent men of the working class.

A Wise Move.

We have heard a lot in recent times about the necessity for Imperial co-operation in commerce, but the need is quite as great in naval matters, for it is by our naval predominance that the Empire's trade has been preserved during the critical times through which we have just passed. We can therefore all hail with intense satisfaction the announcement that the War Cabinet has deputed Admiral Jellicoe to visit the Dominions and India early in the New Year for the purpose of advising on naval questions. Not only in the economic field, but in the matter of defence arrangements also, the Empire in the past has been far too loosely knitted together. It is apparent that in this connection we cannot go on as we have hitherto done. It may be too much to hope that the world has seen the end of all wars, but, whatever the future may have in store for us, this much is certain: that we cannot afford to let anything to chance. It has recently been admitted that Britain must always have a big Navy. It has also been shown that we have never abused our naval power; we shall not do so in the future. But circumstances may arise—they probably will—necessitating a wider distribution of that power, for which reason it is essential that the Mother Country and the Dominions should work in closer naval harmony. Admiral Jellicoe is the right man to investigate the question, and we in Hongkong shall watch the eventual outcome of his tour with more than ordinary interest.

Not to be Trusted.

While there may be no grounds for thinking that the Allied military leaders have not a clear grasp of the present situation, there will be many who share the view expressed in the French Chamber of Deputies that some stipulation should be made regarding the demobilisation of the German Army. It is true that the German Army now is practically non-existent and that the Army has had to yield up great quantities of war material. But what of the men? Only a few days ago, Herr Eber announced the establishment of what he described as "a new National Defence Army" for the purpose of "protecting" the National Assembly. There may be more in this than meets the eye. In any event, we know the German capacity for organisation, and, in view of influences working in the background in the Fatherland, a word from a new, or even old, leader might easily result in a fresh turn in events, not altogether to the Allies' liking.

DAY BY DAY.

WHISPERING TONGUES CAN POISON TRUTH.

To-morrow's Anniversary.

To-morrow is the third anniversary of the appointment of General Lytton as French War Minister.

The Dollar.

The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was \$1.47/8d.

The Health Return.

On Saturday there was notified one fatal case of enteric fever, the victim being a Chinese.

Smoking Concert.

We hear that the officers of the Defence Corps intend giving a smoking concert to the N.C.O.'s and men of the Corps early next month.

Baseball Match.

Yesterday afternoon an interesting baseball match was played at Happy Valley between the Nippon Club and the Happy Valley Club. The Japanese team showed all-round superiority and won by 12 to 4.

Defence Corps Dinner.

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HOW CHINESE ARE SOLVING HOUSING PROBLEM.

An Object Lesson to the Government.

[*'Hongkong Telegraph' Special*]

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fruit which find no favour amongst Europeans, and even amongst the latter it is difficult to gauge the popular taste so accurately as to restrict culture to a particular variety. The safest course is to grow a few sorts and grow them to perfection as far as possible. It is necessary to exclude from this selection certain kinds that occupy too much ground space, as their yield is not commensurate with the expense of bringing the area into cultivation, though the demand for such varieties of fruit may be great.

A Description of the Village.

Entering the Oi Lok village, there is a big village hall with a beautiful porch with Chinese allegorical high relief representing mythological peacock, lion, flowers, reindeer and a hill. The pathway is lined with beautiful flowers in pots trimmed with allegorical figures of Chinese warriors. This leads to a reception hall. Next to this is a distillery built on a site from the ashes, a number of beautiful model Chinese villages are three sprawling villages with a Chinese-cum-European air about them. The best of these is the villa of Mr. Fung Kie-chuk, one of the organisers and promoters of the Garden City in the New Territory. Here all good points in the European and Chinese architecture have been assimilated, and the atmosphere when entering is refreshing. The front of his house is more or less after the Chinese style but the interior is a combination of English and Chinese. It looks as if the promoters much appreciate the advantage of taking up buildings in the New Territory as they can construct houses in their own style without the sanction of architects, thus saving a big sum and being free from the delays of the P.W.D. The technicalities of the Buildings Ordinance have not to be complied with, there is no payment of five per cent. on the value to the architect, and land is secured for a song. These are important factors in the whole scheme by the co-operators. But to return to our village. Mr. Fung Kie-chuk's villa is really a combination of three houses into one block. It is a two-story building, the ground and top floors being identical in plan. On the top floor is a delicate hall gaily decorated with numerous figures of gods and full of representations of Chinese mythology. The ancestral hall contains a huge shrine, leading into the reception hall which is Ecceps-cum Chinese in style.

Some of the members of the co-operation have completed their edifices, while some are under construction. The work has been retarded by the high price of building materials and now that the war is over this drawback will be tide over and within a short time we may expect to see houses rise here like mushrooms. Messrs. Fung King-u and Li Shew, members of this corporate body, have fine structures standing on their areas.

To Mr. Fung Kie-chuk is due the initiation of this Garden City. His villa and plantation are the pioneers of many that are sure to crop up in the New Territory in the not distant future. He has set an object lesson to the members of his community, and the scheme bids fair to be one of the most important in the New Territory.

The village is now experimenting with farming, agriculture and gardening. The land is being thoroughly developed and if the work is taken up seriously it should attract numberless settlers. These villages which are now going up will make Fanling an important station. The Shatin-kok Light Railway passes in front of the entire village.

This scheme, initiated and developed by Chinese, is a concrete one, offering something approaching an adequate solution of the housing problem. It indicates one of the many lines on which the Government could assist in the amelioration of our housing question.

Well Worth a Visit.

A visit to the Oi Lok Village is well worth while and advantages, and much valuable information could be obtained first-hand of what has been achieved in creating a Garden

City in the New Territory. The organisers are, no doubt, pioneers in the field of tropical gardening in this Colony. The beautifully trimmed flower-beds, the systematically arranged foliage plants, the avenues of fruit trees, the fish ponds and commercial products impress the visitor with the immensity of the collection and its variegated nature. Those who desire an object lesson in scientific horticulture and the creation of a city in a desert could do no better than visit it. Lovers of nature and lovers of very attractive gardens will be fully compensated.

A few Chinese are responsible for this beauty spot and the special attractions which it possesses for the weekend resident or the visitor are inviting in the extreme.

A Wealth of Flowers.

There is a wealth of flowers laid out in artistic fashion to satisfy the most fastidious taste. There are verbenas, marigolds, asters, dahlias, alstroemerias, foxgloves, balsamias, heliotropes, and a fine collection of peony flowers which will be a treat to visitors on the Chinese New Year Day, when they could see these valuable flowers of China. The Chinese call them "mar-tan."

Agriculture in New Territory.

Agriculture in the New Territory is essentially extended gardening, it has little relation to the agriculture of other countries and its methods are those of horticulture. Long ago a Chinese philosopher said: "The well-being of a nation is like a tree. Agriculture is its root, manufacture and commerce are its branches. If the root is injured, the leaves fall, the branches break away and the tree dies." This saying could not rigidly be applied in a country like Hongkong, which is for the most part hilly, but nevertheless by a proper system of agriculture the Colony could be made more prosperous. There is an old maxim to the effect that different circumstances need different methods. The saying is as true of peoples—as of men in the bulk—as it is of individuals, and the methods suited to a people living their own life need revision and adaptation if that people is to hold its own in competition with its rivals.

The Chinese Farmer.

The Chinese farmer is very conservative and primitive in his style. He does not use modern appliances, if he does the result will surely surprise him. The productive powers of the soil are great, but they can be exhausted. Agriculture in the New Territory is out of date. A man can work day after day for many years, but only on condition that he has intervals for rest, sleep and food. Deprive him of his sustenance and of his sleep and in a day or two the strongest man will lose his strength, and fail and die. So is it with the soil. It too needs its sustenance and it cannot go on yielding crops without a rest. The Chinese farmer will not understand this. No sooner is a paddy cut than potatoes are sown. The land is not allowed to lie fallow.

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Besides plots of paddy and sweet potatoes, there may be seen in the New Territory plantations of ginger for which there is a great demand for Chinese preserve; cardamoms, a valuable commodity in which no interest has been taken; soya beans, different varieties of bamboo, sisal var. adansonii for the fibre trade, marjorams (*medicinal* *aderach*) used in the

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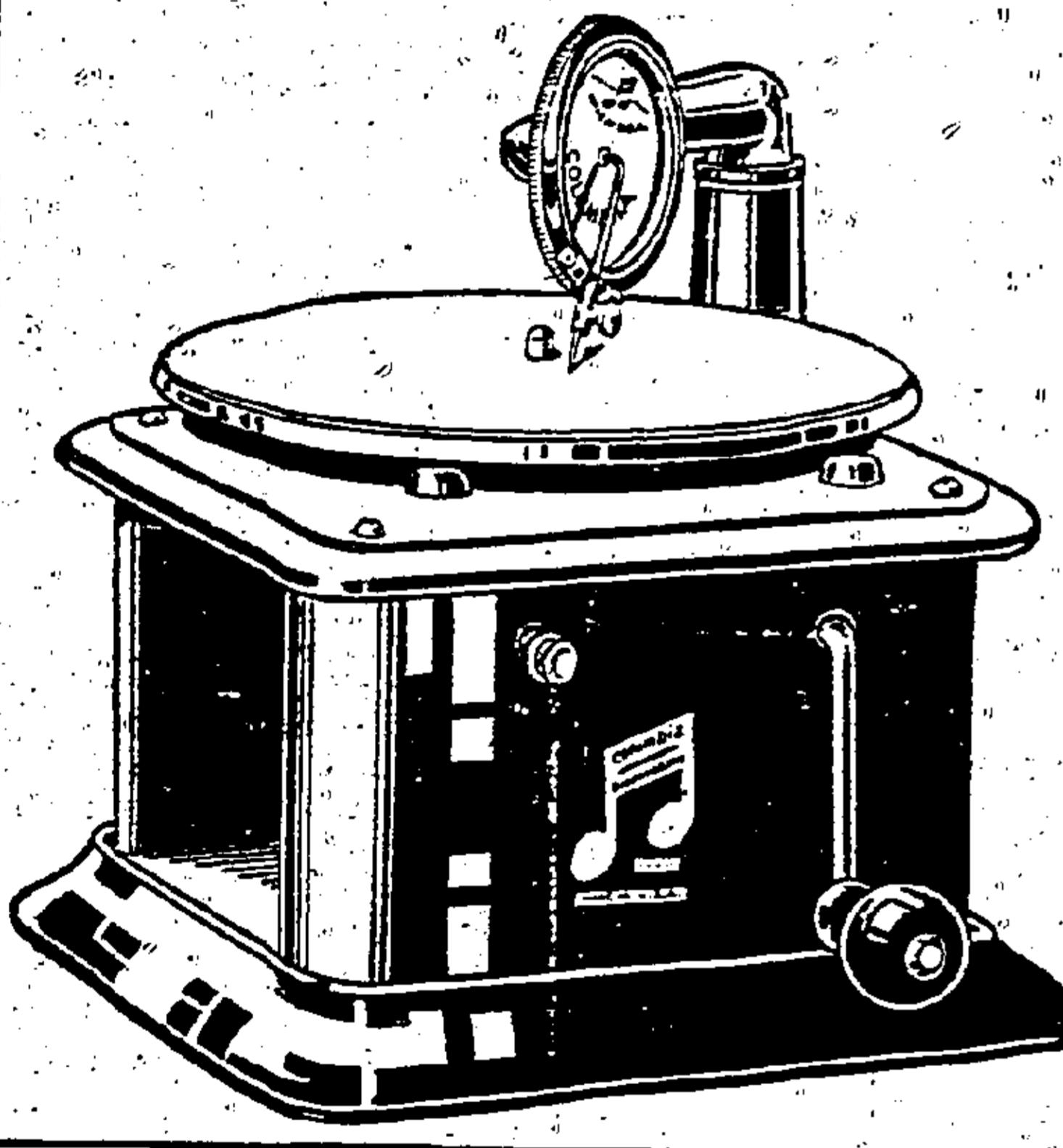
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migrants must be able to speak
and write English, and in
addition must be possessed of
comfortable means before land-
ing. The Government has been
asked to introduce a Bill to
 deport undesirables. The country
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DAY BY DAY.

NOTICE.

Decree Rescinded.
The Dutch Consul General informs us that the Netherlands Indian Government has rescinded the decree by which Hongkong was declared an infected port on account of plague.

An Enterprising Firm.

The enterprising firm of Macintosh and Company has now on show all the latest fashions in men's wear, in large and varied assortment. Quality is the keynote of this firm's policy and the most fastidious taste in neckwear, shirts, stocks, brots and shoes can be met. For Christmas presents a visit to Mackintosh's will repay the intending purchaser, in that a large variety of articles can be chosen from, and whatever is secured will be of the best quality. The enterprise of this firm is further exemplified in their new premises. The show window is fitted up in the most modern style and presents an appearance that one only expects to find in Bond Street. Messrs. Mackintosh are to be congratulated on their foresight and sound policy of progress.

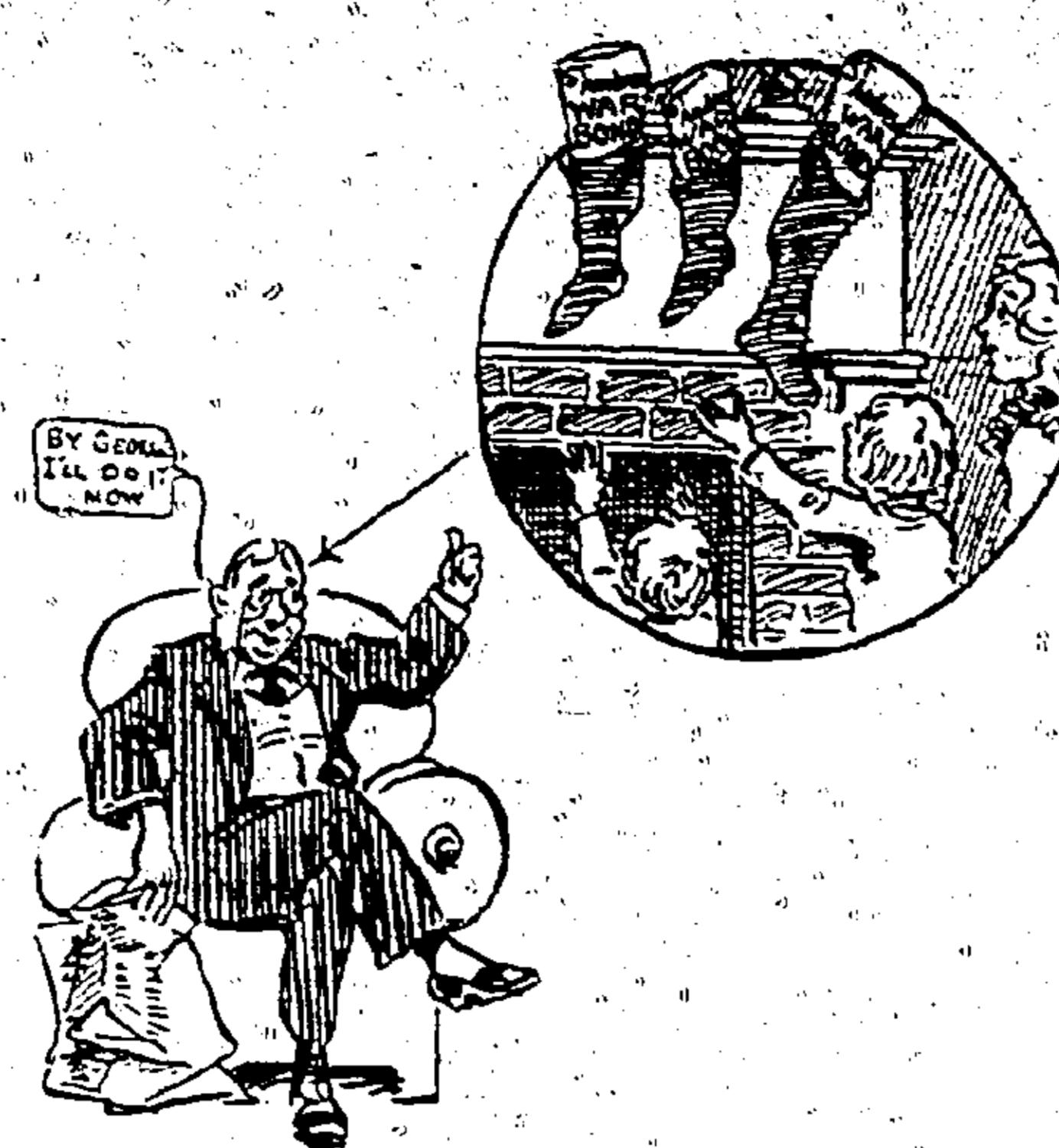
The Cabaret Dance.

The attendance at the dance given in the Cabaret on Murray Parade ground on Saturday night was not as large as one could have wished, but nevertheless, it was quite successful. The fact that there was also a dance at the Peak and that the Portuguese community are in mourning at the death of their President kept a number of people away, and it is thought that the dance will not prove as great a financial success as it was hoped it would prove. The affair was extremely enjoyable and it is safe to say the general wish is that more dances of a similar nature may be given. The affair had been very well organised and the dances had a very short time to wait between the numbers, a military band and a string band providing plenty of music. Mr. W. A. Dowley is to be commended in arranging such a happy occasion.

Fatal Tram Accident.

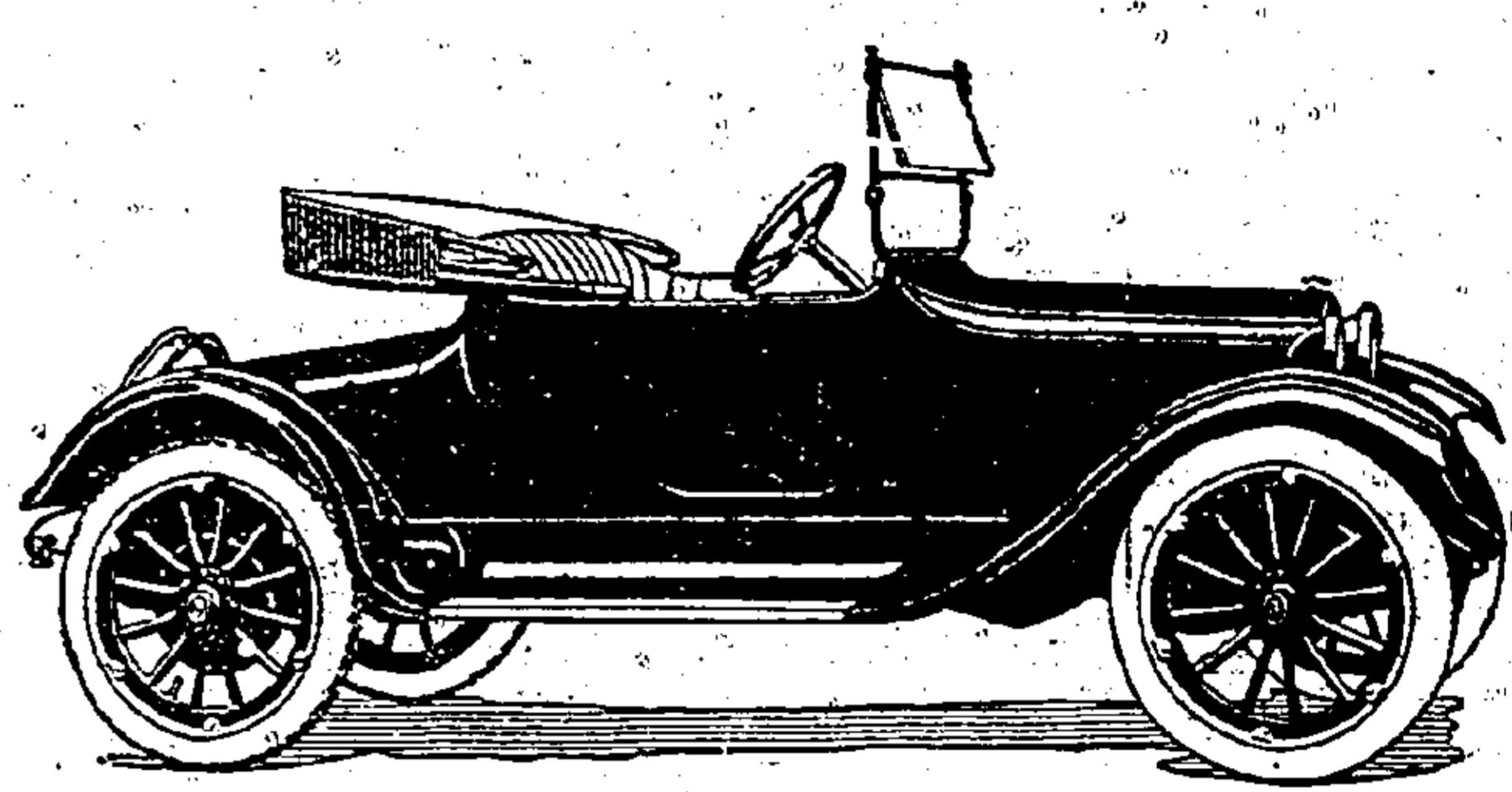
Tram car accidents are now of common occurrence. One Chinese was knocked down by a tram-car in Des Voeux Road Central yesterday and was removed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from severe wounds. Another accident in Bridge Row was attended, with fatal results, when a child aged three years, was knocked down by a tram and died soon after. His body was removed to the Mortuary. Near the Tai Kok Tsui numbers of Chinese children may be seen jumping off and on moving cars. The Police should see that these children are brought up before our Magistrate.

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No. 2 Dock, Kowloon	100'	100' 100' 100'	10' 10' 10'	10'	10'
Passenger Slip, No. 1 Kowloon	100'	100' 100' 100'	10' 10' 10'	10'	10'
Passenger Slip, No. 2 Kowloon	100'	100' 100' 100'	10' 10' 10'	10'	10'
TALLEY-SHU	100'	100' 100' 100'	10' 10' 10'	10'	10'
Comptopolitan Dock	100'	100' 100' 100'	10' 10' 10'	10'	10'
Passenger Slip, No. 1 Kowloon	100'	100' 100' 100'	10' 10' 10'	10'	10'
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POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.

Orders issued by Mr. F. C. Jenkins, O.B.E., state:—

Commendations.

The following commendations have been made by the Captain Superintendent of Police:—

(1) Constable 217 Lung Shiu Man, for going to the assistance

when off duty of two rickshaws

when a gang of about ten others

and effecting the arrest of one of

the assailants. (This Constable

was previously commended in

June last for a smart arrest.)

Chinese Command.

All members of No. 3 Com

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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. Company's S.S. DILWARKA
left Singapore for this Port on the 23rd instant, with the outward English Mail, and is due here on the 7th instant at about 11 a.m.

Mirabilis-Dicta.

Ladies as a rule are coquettish, and some abominably so. After

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European lady was making

Deep Water Bay on Saturday, and

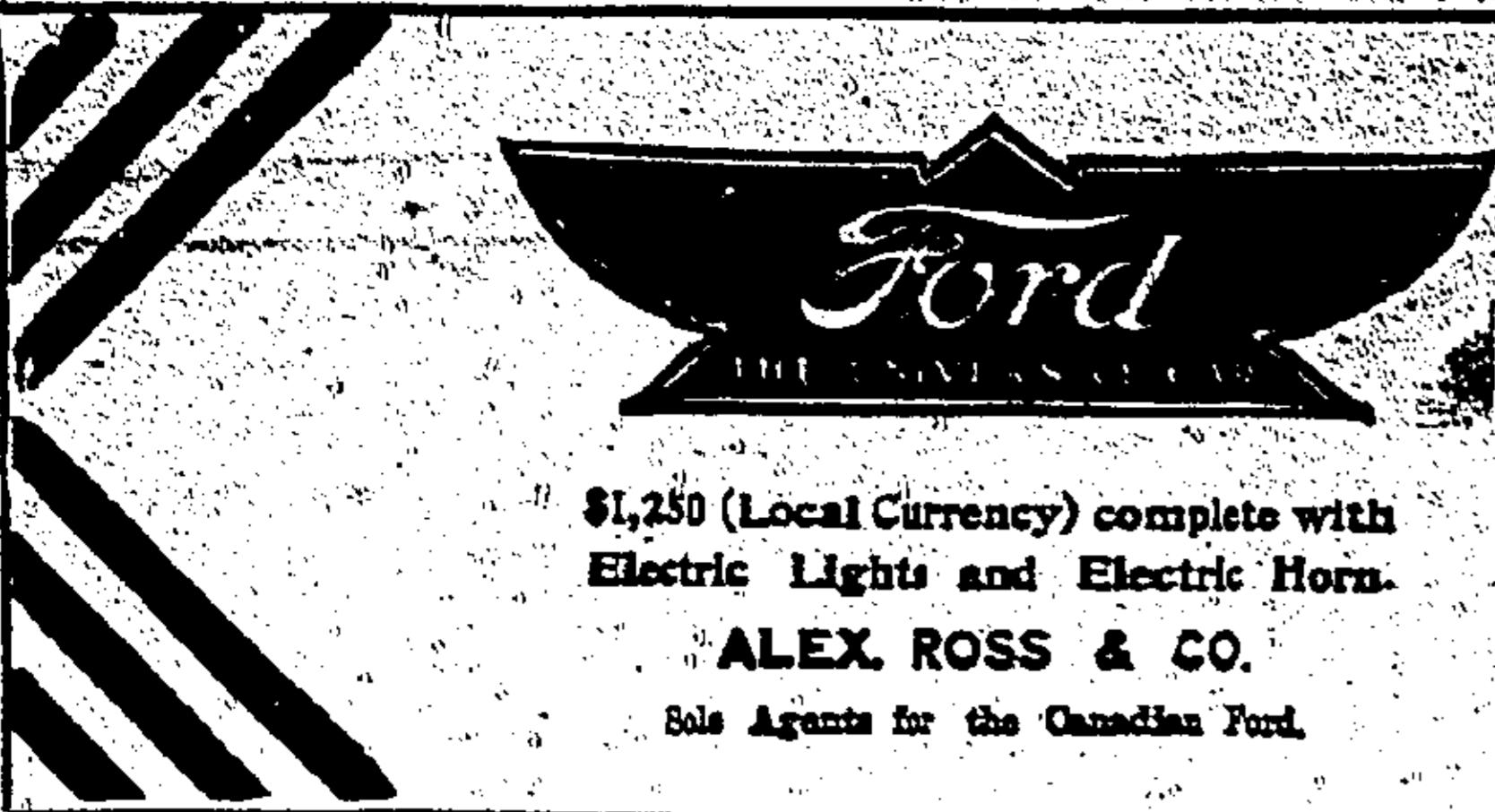
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SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL.

UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

South China Athletic, 0: R. G. A., 2.
Royal Navy, 3; R. E. O., 1.

2nd DIVISION.
St. Joseph's College, 2; South China E., 0.
88th Co. R. A., 4; 83rd Co., 2.

South China v. R. G. A.

The R. A. and South China game drew a very large crowd to the Club ground and a good display of football was seen. The Chinese early did a lot of attacking but Telford and Sherman were very prominent at critical times. Following a lot of give-and-take play, sometimes of an amusing nature, Morris got going on the wing for the R. A. and a corner resulted from a nice movement. This was very well placed, and Telford standing a few yards out of goal placed the ball very neatly in the corner of the net. The Chinese team were not at all in the picture for some time, the R. A. playing a very businesslike game, all their movements being of a dangerous nature, and a burst away by the outside-right nearly ended in another disaster. The winger, however, was hampered just as he was about to centre with his forwards in the goal mouth, and the ball rolled over the line for a corner. This latter was again nicely placed and Street finished the effort with a capital shot in the corner of the net, the R. A. leading at the interval by 2 goals to 0.

The second half only emphasized the R. A.'s superiority, the team all though not scoring anything for h. r. being much the better side on the day's play.

The R. A. fielded a nicely balanced team, and they played attractive football. Led by Green, who played a fine open game and was always dangerous, the forwards spread the ball about in a very useful manner, and Morris on the left, although opposed by such a fine half-back as Chan So, did some very clever things. Lieutenant Tow played brainy football, and Street is an acquisition. Telford again played a towering game in a good line, and Sherman successfully covered Hell who was a trifle shaky, the former playing a very safe game. Taylor did not have much to do.

For South China, the goalies on many occasions saved very coolly, and had no chance with both goals close in. Cheung Wing Hon played a very classy game at full back, and Chan So did well against the fine wing opposed to him. The forwards were disappointing, doing many fancy things which pleased the crowd, but showing too much timidity against their heavier opponents, when a little more enterprise might have meant goals. Kwok Po Kun and Weng were the pick of the forwards.

Mr. Loach was in charge of the game.

Navy v. Royal Engineers.

The Navy v. Royal Engineers match was another triumph for McNiven, the Navy centre forward, who scored all three goals. The first half was very evenly contested. Indeed, Townsend and Millard with the merest luck should have scored on more than one occasion—but Crocker had a day out saving very unexpectedly on two occasions when goals seemed certain. The Navy tried three new men, and as these all played good football, the managers of the team must feel very pleased with the Club prospects. Although both goals had narrow escapes, the interval arrived with nothing scored. The second half saw the Engineers trying hard to snatch a victory and Crocker escaped the boot of danger with the R. E. forward all round him. The Navy appeared to improve from this, as, following a nice run by the right wing, McNiven

SATURDAY'S CRICKET.

Civil Service v. Royal Engineers.

This League match resulted in a comfortable win for the Civil Service. The Engineers batted first but were all disposed of for 32, no player reaching double figures. The wickets were taken by Bird and Hamilton, the former having an average of six for 14. Civil Service quickly passed their opponents' score and were 101 up for four wickets when stumps were drawn, A. E. Wood making a splendid 52 not out. Scores:—

Royal Engineers.
Capt. Wahl, c Lamble, b Hamilton ... 0
Opl. Waller, c Edmonds, b Bird ... 7
Spr. Parnell, c Severn, b Bird ... 2
S. M. Jewsbury, b Bird ... 4
Spr. Connell, st. Sara, b Bird ... 4
Spr. Lewis, b Hamilton ... 4
Spr. Boatwright, c Wood, b Hamilton ... 0
Cpl. Feakes, c Lamble, b Bird ... 0
Lt. Raworth, b Bird ... 5
Spr. Jackson, not out ... 5
Extras ... 4

Total ... 32
Bowling. O. M. R. W.

Hamilton ... 6 0 14 3
Bird ... 5 4 2 14 6

Civil Service.

C. Sara, c Feakes, b Parnell ... 9
W. H. Edmonds, b Waller ... 1
F. Ling, b Parnell ... 22
E. T. Crocker, b Raworth ... 15
A. E. Wood, not out ... 52

P. T. Lemble, not out ... 0
B. W. Bradbury, F. Syms
Thomson, E. W. Hamilton,
R. E. O. Bird, Hon. Mr.
Severn, did not bat.

Extras ... 0

Total (4 wks)... 101

Bowling. O. M. R. W.

Waller ... 3 1 10 1
Parnell ... 9 1 70 2
Raworth ... 6 1 19 1

Navy v. C.R.C.

This League contest ended in a draw. The Navy were first at the wickets and declared at 138 for nine wickets, leaving C.R.C. eighty minutes to make the required total. This the latter just failed to do, the score being 131 for five wickets when play ceased. For the Navy, Paymaster Bolborn with 60 and Lieutenant Bernard with 30 did well, while Ng Sze-kwong for the other wide compiled a well-played 53 not out. Scores:—

Navy.
Pyr. Robinson, c Ching, b Lee ... 1
Sig. Hack, c Chow, b Ching ... 28
Pyr. Holton, c Chow, b Yew 60

L. Bernard, c and b Ng Sze
Kwong ... 39

Com. Gorner, b Yew ... 0
Ms. Kennett, b Yew ... 0

M. S. Stillman, c Chow, b Yew
P. Akhurst, b Ng Sze Kwong ... 1

A. B. Watts, b Yew ... 4
A. B. Shorrock, not out ... 1

A. B. Vale, not out ... 1
Extras ... 4

Total (for 9 wks)... 138

Bowling. O. M. R. W.

Yew Man Tsan ... 9 1 38 5
G. Lee ... 9 0 23 1

Ng Sze Kwong, not ... 8
H. Ching ... 6 0 24 1

G. R. C.
Wei Lee Son, b Kennett ... 2

H. Ching, c Watts, b Kennett ... 6
Ng Sze Kwong, not ... 83

G. Lee, c Robinson, b Kennett ... 9
Un Hew Fan, run out ... 20

Chow Fat Ching, b Akhurst ... 3
Yew Man Tsan, not out ... 10

G. Lee, Liu Yat Mun, Wong
Kwok Kwong, Wu Pak
Fook, not out ... 4

Extras ... 4

Total (for 9 wks)... 131

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M. C. for Lt. L. Ford.

Lt. Leonard Ford, the son of Inspector Ford, of the Hongkong Police, and Mrs. Ford, of Keysham, New Bristol, has received the Military Cross. A letter from the Commanding Officer has been received congratulating the parents upon the honour received by their son. Inspector Ford retired from the Hongkong Police Force about thirteen years ago.

Echo of Shanghai Case.
Five members of the 9th Cavalry baseball team stationed at Manila have filed suits at Manila for £10,000 each against Mr. Merriman the American Court, Shanghai, charging libel in his statement that the team accepted a bribe to lose.

Friendly Matches.
On Saturday on the H.K.C.C. ground the Hongkong University met the H. K. C. C. in a friendly match. The latter batted first, Sutton hitting in good style, his 36 including five fours. Captain Gray was in beautiful trim, scoring 68 runs, which included eight fours and two sixes. Amongst those who scored double figures, for the H. K. C. C. were E. B. Thomas (10), Maas (28), and Major Hammond (11). The Club declared its innings closed at 171 runs for 8 wickets. For the University Wright contributed 38 and Marley 32. These were the redeeming features in the University score, which totalled 106 runs for 7 wickets. The match was a drawn one.

The Orange-gower met the 83rd Co. R.G.A. on Orange-gower ground. The 83rd Co. batted first, Perkins being the only one to score a double figure, his 32 including a six and two fours. The Orange-gower batted well, Abbott's 36 was a great help. Ford, Rumjohn and Hall put on 14 each. The score stood at Orange-gower 117, R.G.A., 87.

HONGKONG CONSCRIPTS.

An Interesting Souvenir.

Messrs. Kelly and Walsh have printed, and have on sale, a very amusing programme of a concert organised by some of the local conscripts during their voyage to Kirksea. The programme is arranged on a humorous scheme and discloses not a little talent on the part of its authors. It consists of a four-page cover with a very amusing drawing on the front, but beyond stating that the title forms an announcement of the "First Concert of the Million Dollar Army," alias Percy's Peerless Privates, we do not propose to divulge the contents. Those who desire to learn further must purchase a copy from Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, and it is well worth the money. The sketches on advertisements are exceedingly funny. It is hoped to dispose of sufficient copies to cover the cost of production and also to enable a free copy to be sent to each of the men in Kirksea, so that purchasers will not only be providing themselves with a very amusing souvenir, but will relieve our local Kirksemites of the responsibility for payment. The programme is significant in that it evidences the cheerful and light-hearted spirit with which these men left comfortable billets for the hardships of active service in their country's good.

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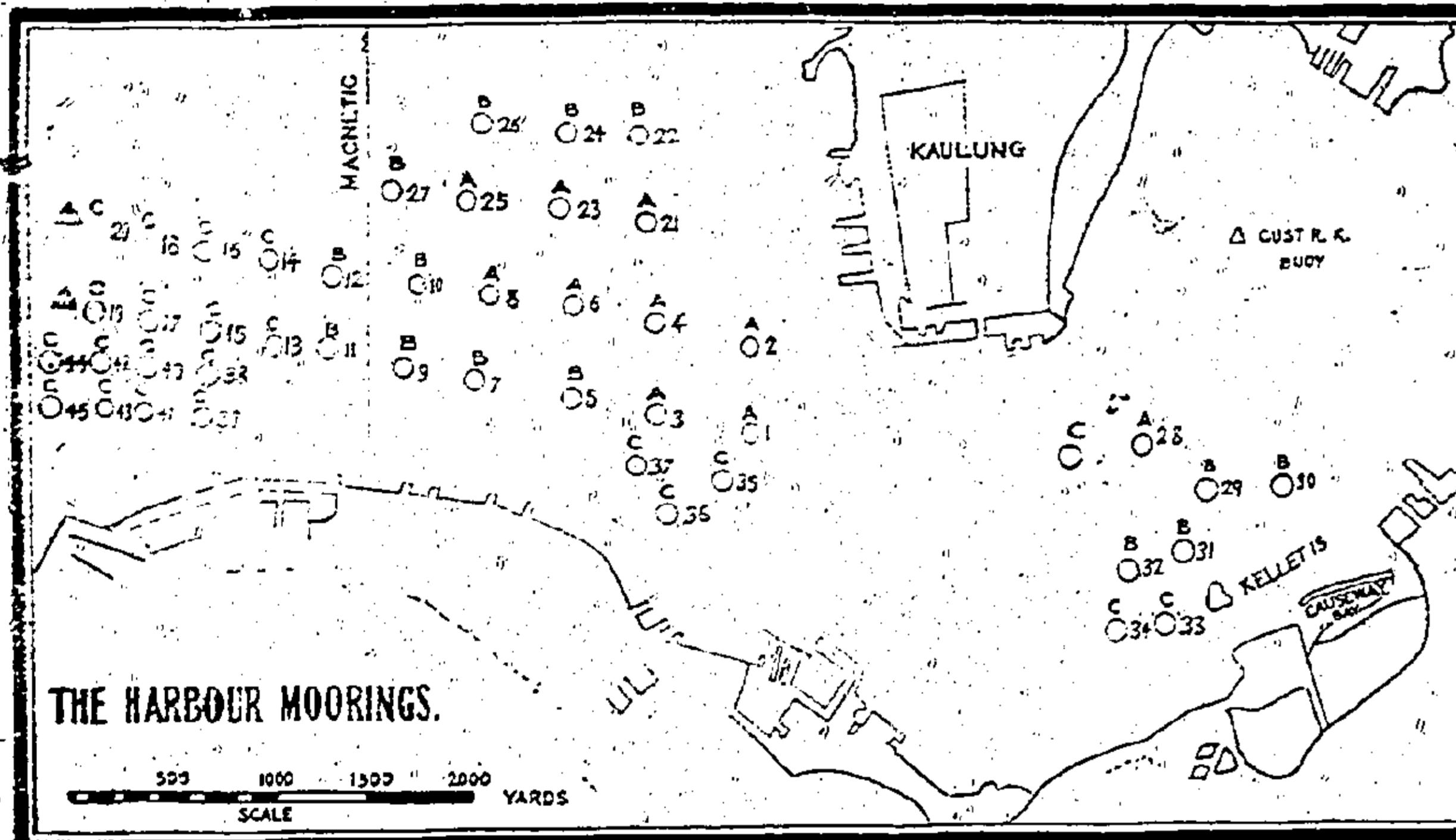
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Tsimu 910, Brit. Capt. Wolf, Shanghai, G. & S.—Mooring—B.I.I.
Tenaho Maru 1197, Jap. Capt. Nagoya, Kot. N.Y.E. Wooring—B24.
Urava Maru 1729, Jap. Capt. Furuya, Daiven, M. B. K.—Mooring—C 12.
Kwang Tai 224, China's Capt. Sour. K. C. Wan, Sing. O Co.—Mooring—Wharf.
Tai Su Mo 492, China, Capt. Lemos, Haiphong, V. F. S. Co.—Mooring—C 58.
Singan 1546, Brit. Capt. Macdonald, Shanghai, B. & S.—Mooring—C 36.
Asaki Maru 1339, Jap. Capt. Ieda, Pasouran, G. K. K.—Mooring—Talko Wharf.
Ching Chow 1195, British, Capt. Doyle, C. W. T. Compt. Co.—Mooring—K Bay.
Van Weerick 1906, Brit. Capt. Hudson, Singapore, J. M. & Co.—Mooring—K Wharf.
December 23.

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Tamia 1558, Brit. Capt. P. S. Pinnister, Bangkok, P. & S.—Mooring—C 11.

Kusatsu 1320, Brit. Capt. Cole, Canton, B. & S.—Mooring—C 20.

VESSELS CLEARED.

December 21.

Hai Hong, 1270, Brit. Capt. Evans, Swatow, D.S.S. Co.—Mooring—Wharf.
Sunring, 1570, Brit. Capt. Ion's, Amy, B. & S.—Mooring—A 6.
Chintu, 1352, Brit. Capt. Speed, Bangkok, P. & S.—Mooring—C 39.
Cornelia, 215, Brit. Capt. Home, Haiphong, Carol.—C 43.
Manapar, 1288, B.I. Capt. Jones, Saigon, Yuen Sing Fat—Mooring—A 8.
Loonggang, 1693, Brit. Capt. Leask, Manila, J. M. & Co.—Mooring—C 35.
Temaju 181, Burs, Capt. Kramleff, Haiphong, Wing Fat—Voyaging—B 7.
Chidai, 1102, Nov. Capt. Mathiesen, Bangor, Thorsen—Mooring—B 5.
Taiyo Maru 1483, Jap. Capt. Hinano, Singapore, M. B. K.—Mooring—K Wharf.
Trunga Maru 950, Jap. Capt. Kinfuku, Moji, G. K. K.—Mooring—B 11.
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IN LIGHTER VEIN.

The Humours of the Police Courts.

"What is their—?" "That is unimportant. I do not think they will take me no ice of that. Their skin is too hard." To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under the heaven. Sergeant Arii felt this morning that it was time to speak out, when two Chinese youths were charged with snatching a bundle, from a child's band. "He was lucky more when Mr. O. D. Melbournes asked the age of the culprits. "This is increasing every day," said the Sergeant. Swiftly came the sentence:—"Six week's hard labour and 10 strokes each." The smile that sat on Sergeant Arii's face was irrepressible.

What's a Chinese Puzzle? A Chinese puzzle in a Police Court case was dished up this morning by Sergeant Murphy for the edification of Mr. J. B. Wood. It is customary for the trying Magistrate to call upon the prosecuting Sergeant of Inspector to recite the history of the case. To watch Mr. J. B. Wood drinking deep from the Persian spring of Sergeant Murphy's knowledge when he stated how two women had conspired to cheat another woman, mentioning a bewildering number of dramatic persons, was a treat. The writer could only get a hazy idea of all this labyrinthic tale and he is certain that Mr. Wood was in more advantageous position. Stripped of all names, it appears that one of the defendants was married to a man for \$52 on November 25th. The two defendants came to Yiumati from Hunghom and lived with a woman who had since absconded for some time. The absconded woman told to a third party that she had a woman living with her who wanted a husband. The woman to whom she told this went to a woman in Wongyan at Waiwo village who was looking for a wife for her son. The first defendant agreed to marry her son on payment of \$52. After the money was paid the first defendant lived with the son for about two weeks, after which she absconded. The mother of the son traced her to Yiumati. The woman was taken before the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, who ordered that the first defendant and her accomplice, the second defendant, should be charged with conspiracy. Boiled down, it amounts to this: that the first defendant who was married tried to get re-married and secured a sum of money by false pretences; and thereby hangs a tale. The women were remanded till Friday.

An Ideal Magistrate.

Mr. Melbourne has grown wonderfully soft-hearted. He refrains from imposing fines for trifling offences. His paternal solicitude for the poor is refreshing. When an old Chinese woman was brought up before him for hawking, he gave an illustration of this. "Who are you living with? You must not hawk without a licence." "Do you know anything about this lady, Inspector? Oh, tell her that she must get a licence. Tell her that she is bound down in a bond. The next time she will be fined \$10."

Chinese ladies (page Mr. Melbourne) are objects of pity and the men are the rascals. For crying out "pig's brain and beefsteak" without a licence a Chinese was fined \$5.

"Tell him he is let off this time, but he must not do it again" was the advice administered to a Chinese youth, while in another case a Chinese who was charged with causing an obstruction and who was only a month ago fined for a similar offence, was exonerated in the following style: "I give you one more chance." Mr. Melbourne has made an ideal Magistrate, and he is daily growing in estimation.

German Prisoners' Strike.

The strike of about 100 German prisoners, who have been working on the land, is reported at a West Sea internment camp, for reasons which have not been made public. The authorities have, it is stated, decided on disciplinary measures in the way of curtailing the prisoners' dietary.

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